

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ING-IABSE WORKSHOP ON “QUALITY ASSURANCE IN BRIDGES AND FLYOVERS – DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION”

HELD AT GUWAHATI ON 8TH AND 9TH MARCH, 2019

The Indian National Group of the International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering (ING-IABSE) in association with Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, National Highways Authority of India and NHIDCL organised a two day Workshop on “**Quality Assurance in Bridges and Flyovers – Design and Construction**” on 8th and 9th March 2019 at Guwahati (Assam). The Workshop was attended by more than 175 delegates from various Govt. Departments as well as other private and public organizations.

The objective of this workshop was to develop more awareness among the Engineers of the state PWDs and other executing agencies about the importance of quality control and quality assurance in design and construction of the structures, keeping in view their long design service life. The knowledge and experiences gathered from the various presentations in this workshop are expected to be utilized by the Client Engineers in monitoring the quality aspects of design and construction of these structures.

During the two day Workshop, several eminent engineers in the field of bridge & structural engineering made presentations on the different aspects of quality assurance in design and construction of bridges and flyovers along with some interesting case studies for the benefit of the participants. Participation of delegates in floor intervention and discussions was very encouraging.



A view of the Dais during the Inaugural Function



Shri B.N. Singh, Chairman, ING-IABSE and Former Director General (Road Development) and Special Secretary Ministry of Road Transport and Highways lighting the traditional Inaugural Lamp along with high dignitaries



Shri B.N. Singh, Chairman, ING-IABSE and Former Director General (Road Development) and Special Secretary Ministry of Road Transport and Highways delivering his address during Inaugural Function

The Workshop was inaugurated on Friday, the 8th March 2019 morning by Shri B.N. Singh, Chairman, ING-IABSE and Former Director General (Road Development) and Special Secretary by lighting the traditional lamp. Other dignitaries, Shri I.K.Pandey, Secretary, ING-IABSE and Director General (Road Development) and Special Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Dr Harshavardhan Subbarao, Vice President of IABSE, Shri Alok Bhowmick, Vice Chairman, ING-IABSE, Shri A.K. Banerjee, Chairman, Scientific Committee, Shri Raj Chakrabarty, Commissioner and Special Secretary, Assam PWD, Shri R.K. Singh, Regional Officer, Guwahati, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and Shri Jagat Narayan, Regional Officer, NHIDCL also graced the occasion.

Shri R.K. Singh, Regional Officer, Guwahati, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways extended warm welcome to the participants of the Workshop. Shri I.K.Pandey, Secretary, ING-IABSE and DG(RD) & Special Secretary proposed Vote of Thanks.



Shri R.K. Singh, Regional Officer, Guwahati, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways delivering his welcome address

Shri B.N. Singh, Chairman, ING-IABSE delivered his inaugural address during the Inauguration on 8th March 2019. Shri Singh expressed that the deliberations of the Workshop will be highly educative with guiding parameter to meet any challenges in the matter of quality assurance in bridges and flyovers by the practicing engineers and participants.



Shri I.K. Pandey, Secretary, ING-IABSE & Director General (Road Development) and Special Secretary Ministry of Road Transport and Highways proposing a Vote of Thanks



Shri AK. Banerjee, Chairman, Scientific Committee delivering his Keynote address during Inauguration



A view of the audience during the Inauguration



Another view of the audience during the Technical Session



A view of the Cultural Evening

The Concluding remarks of the Workshop were presented by Shri A.K. Banerjee, Chairman, Scientific Committee on 9th March 2019. He expressed the hope that the outcome of the Workshop would have enriched the knowledge of the delegates.

A light music with dinner was organized in the evening of Saturday, the 8th March 2019 for the participants which was an occasion of get together.

The Workshop was a great success.